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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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Form 4 or Form 5 obligations

may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

1.Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SAUNDERS STEVEN

> (First) (Middle)

1241 HAWK'S FLIGHT

CT.., SUITE 103

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

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3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

02/27/2006

Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

OMB

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Issuer

(Check all applicable)

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

5. Amount of

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

EL DORADO HILLS, CA 95762

(City)

(State) (Zip)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

or

Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Securities

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership

(Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

7. Title and Amount of 1. Title of 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **Transaction**Derivative **Expiration Date Underlying Securities** Security or Exercise any Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Dispose	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount of Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 1	02/27/2006	03/08/2006	A	100,0	00	02/27/2006	03/03/2011	Common Stock	100,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
noporomg o where runner reasons	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
SAUNDERS STEVEN 1241 HAWK'S FLIGHT CT., SUITE 103 EL DORADO HILLS, CA 95762	X						

Signatures

/s/ Todd C. Crow, Attorney-in-fact 03/09/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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